Petitioners

IN RE: PETITION FOR ZONING VARIANCE \* ZONING COMMISSIONER OF BALTIMORE COUNTY Case Nos. 92-422-A

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Zoning Variance for that property known as 8715 Windsor Mill Road.

The Petitioner/property owner by his Petition seeks a variance from Section 1A04.3.B.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a front yard setback of 60 ft. (+/-) to the centerline of Windsor Mill Road; a variance to permit a 20 ft. (+/-) right side yard setback and 40 ft. (+/-) left side yard setback, in lieu of the required 50 ft. for each; and a variance from Section 301.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a 9 ft. (+/-) setback from an existing open projection (covered patio, open on three sides) to the proposed property line, in lieu of the minimum 37.50 ft. required. All of the variances are more particularly shown on Petitioners' Exhibit No. 1, the plat to accompany the Petition for Zoning Variance.

William R. Sturgeon, the property owner, appeared and was represented by Douglas L. Burgess, Esquire. Also appearing on behalf of the Petition was James W. McKee, the engineer who prepared the plat. There were no Protestants present.

Testimony offered at the hearing disclosed that the subject property, which currently might be described as being rectangularly shaped with a

handle, is divided into two (2) parcels. Parcel No. 1 is the "handle" and parcel No. 2 is the rectangular shaped property. The total area is 11.5 acres. Most of the property is zoned R.C.5, but for a small portion zoned R.C.2 which lies on the west side of the rectangularly shaped parcel. The Petitioner proposes to subdivide the property into two tracts, to be known as proposed parcel A and parcel 2. Parcel A will feature the existing dwelling which fronts Windsor Mill Road and will be approximately 1 acre in area. It will include the entire "handle" (currently known as parcel 1) and a portion of parcel 2. It will be a narrow, yet deep, lot extending from Windsor Mill Road. The remaining land shown as proposed parcel 2 will be approximately 10.5 acres. The Petitioner has obtained a contract purchaser for parcel A and will retain parcel 2 for his own use and possible future development.

Further evidence offered at the hearing disclosed that the Petitioner is exempt from Division 2 of the Baltimore County Development Regulations and has, therefore, obtained approval for his subdivision. However, while obtaining this exemption, the Baltimore County Waiver Advisory Committee recommended that a 50 ft. strip be carved from parcel A to leave road access from Windsor Mill Road to proposed parcel 2. Without the creation of this 50 ft. wide strip, proposed parcel 2 would be landlocked. Further, as a result of the creation of this strip, two of the subject variances are needed. Specifically, the right side yard variance of 20 ft. (+/-) as well as the variance related to the covered concrete patio are necessary. As to the other variances, 60 ft. on the front yard and 40 ft. the left side yard, they are necessary to legitimize an existing condi-

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Based upon the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, all of which was uncontradicted, in the opinion of the Zoning Commissioner the relief requested sufficiently complies with the requirements of Section 307 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) and, therefore, should be granted. There is no evidence in the record that the subject variances would adversely affect the health, safety and/or general welfare of the public. Furthermore, strict compliance with the B.C.Z.R. would result in practical difficulty and/or unreasonable hardship upon the Petitioner.

variances were denied, the parcel proposed as parcel No. 2 would be landlocked and inaccessible. Further, as indicated above, the Petitioner seeks only the legitimization of the existing location of the dwelling on proposed parcel A. Thus, the Petition for Zoning Variances should be

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief requested should be granted

the Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore 1992 that a variance from Section 1A04.3.B.3 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations (B.C.Z.R.) to permit a front yard setback of 60 ft. (+/-) to the centerline of Windsor Mill Road, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

side yard setback and 40 ft. (+/-) left side yard setback, in lieu of the required 50 ft. for each, be and is hereby GRANTED; and,

This practical difficulty is clearly shown; in that, if the subject

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance to permit a 20 ft. (+/-) right

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a variance from Section 301.1 of the B.C.Z.R. to permit a 9 ft. (+/-) setback from an existing open projection (covered patio, open on three sides) to the proposed property line, in lieu of the minimum 37.50 ft., be and is hereby GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restriction which are conditions precedent to the relief granted herein:

> 1. The Petitioners may apply for their building permit and be granted same upon receipt of this Order; however, Petitioners are hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at their own risk until such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioners would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

> > Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

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Baltimore County Government Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

Suite 113 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

June 18, 1992

Douglas L. Burgess, Esquire 210 W. Pennsylvania Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

> RE: Case No. 92-422-A Petition for Zoning Variance William Randolph Sturgeon, et ux

Dear Mr. Burgess:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above captioned cases. The Petition for Zoning Variance has been granted, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3391.

Zoning Commissioner

cc: Mr. and Mrs. William R. Sturgeon

## Petition for Variance

to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County 92-422-A

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Variance from Section 1A04.3B.3 to permit a front setback of 60 feet +/- to the centerline to remain; and to permit a 20 foot +/- right side setback to proposed property line and 40 foot +/- left side setback in lieu of the required 50 feet for each, (continued on Page Two)

of the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to the Zoning Law of Baltimore County; for the following reasons: (indicate hardship or practical difficulty) The owners shown hereon are desirous of creating a 50 foot wide rightof-way to provide access to a parcel of ground to the rear of their property. The requested variances are to accommodate the right-of-way as

well as amend existing deficient RC-5 setback conditions. The owners would experience practical difficulty in as much as the dwelling exists and separate in fee access to the rear parcel does not currently exist.

Property is to be posted and advertised as prescribed by Zoning Regulations.

I, or we, agree to pay expenses of above Variance advertising, posting, etc., upon filing of this petition, and further agree to and are to be bound by the zoning regulations and restrictions of Baltimore County adopted pursuant to the Zoning Law For Baltimore County.

Yourse Stangers ry Road 329-2124
Phone No. Maryland 21120
and phone number of legal owner, con- r or representative to be contacted Associates, Inc.
Road, Hunt Valley, MD 21030
Phone No. (410)527-
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Petition for Variance 8715 Windsor Mill Road Page Two

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.... and from Section 301.1 to permit a 9 foot +/- setback from an existing open projection (covered patio, open on three sides) to proposed property line, in lieu of the minimum 37.50 feet required.

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ZONING DESCRIPTION 8715 WINDSOR MILL ROAD 2ND ELECTION DISTRICT

Mill Road, also known as Windsor Mill Road Extended, said point being situated 1,600 feet +/- from the centerline of Old Court Road; thence running with and binding on the centerline of Windsor Mill Road, North 640 30' West 100.00 feet; point; thence South 30° 56' West 175 feet +/- to a point; thence South 54° 39' East 140 feet +/- to a point; thence North 300 56' East 175 feet +/- to a point; thence North 540 39' West 38.7 feet +/- to a point; thence North 250 30" East 200.00 feet +/- to the point of beginning. Containing 43,560 square feet or 1.0 acres of land, more or less. Being known as 8715 Windsor Mill Road, lying in the Second Election District of Baltimore County, Maryland.

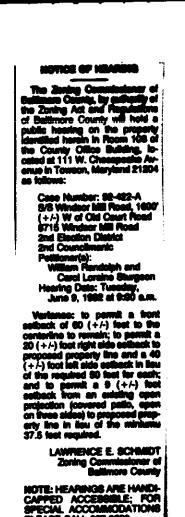
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April 27, 1992

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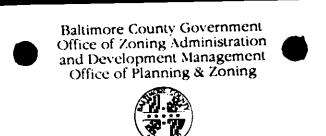


## CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

TOWSON, MD.,

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the annexed advertisement was published in THE JEFFERSONIAN, a weekly newspaper published in Towson, Baltimore County, Md., once in each o weeks, the first publication appearing on

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

May 27, 1992

Mr. & Mrs. William Sturgeon 1120 Dairy Road Parkton, MD 21120

RE: Item No. 447, Case No. 92-422-A Petitioner: William R. Sturgeon, et ux Petition for Variance

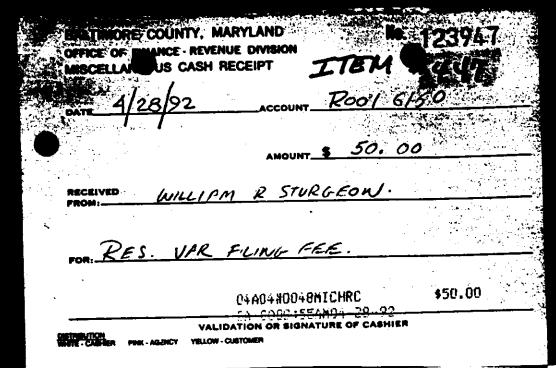
Dear Mr. & Mrs. Sturgeon:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to assure that all parties, i.e. Zoning Commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on the date of the enclosed filing certificate and a hearing scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing process with this office.

The Director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by Zoning personnel.



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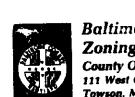
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Baltimore County Government
Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

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Your petition has been received and accepted for filing this 20th day of April, 1992.

Petitioner: William R. Sturgeon, et ux Petitioner's Attorney:

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management Office of Planning & Zoning

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Fowson, MD 21204

(410) 887-3353

William and Carol Sturgeon 1120 Dairy Road Parkton, Maryland 21120

CASE NUMBER: 92-422-A S/S Windsor Mill Road, 1600' (+/-) W of Old Court Road 8715 Windsor Mill Road 2nd Election District + 2nd Councilmanic Petitions (a): William Randolph and Carol Loraine Sturgeon

Dear Petitioner(s):

Please be advised that \$84.70 is due for advertising and posting of the able captioned

THIS FEE MUST BE PAID AND THE ZOWING SIGN & POST SET(S) RETURNED ON THE DAY OF THE HEARING OR THE ORDER SHALL HOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY OF THE HEARING.

Please forward your check via return mail to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 113, Towson, Maryland 21204. It should have your case number noted thereon and be made payable to Ealtimore County, Maryland. In order to prevent delay of the issuance of proper credit and/or your Order, insualiate attention to this matter is suggested.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

Baltimore County Government

Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

Office of Planning & Zoning

The Zening Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in Room 106 of the County Office Building, located at 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

CASE NUMBER: 92-422-A S/S Windsor Mill Road, 1600' (+/-) W of Old Court Road 8715 Windsor Mill Road 2nd Election District - 2nd Councilosnic Petitioner(s): William Randolph and Carol Lordine Sturgeon HEARING: TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1992 at 9:00 a.m.

Variance to permit a front setback of 60 (+/-) feet to the centerline to remain; to permit a 20 (+/-) foot right side setback to proposed property line and a 40 (+/-) foot left side setback in lieu of the required 50 feet for each; and to permit a 9 (1/-) foot sechack from an existing open projection (covered patio, open on three sides) to proposed property line in lieu of the minimum 37.5 foot required.

Lawrence E. Schmidt Zoning Commissioner of

cc: William and Carol Sturgeon

McKee & Associates Inc.

Baltimore County

NOTE: HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ZONING New Courts Building 401 Bosley Avenue Towson, MD 21204

MEMORANDUM

Arnold Jablon, Director - Zoning Administration & Development Management

Ervin McDaniel, Chief Development Review Section Office of Planning and Zoning

May 12, 1992

PETITIONS FROM ZONING ADVISORY COMMITTEE - May 4, 1992

The Office of Planning and Zoning has no comments on the following petitions:

William & Carol Sturgeon - Item 447

If there should be any further questions or if this office can provide additional information, please contact Francis Morsey in the Office of Planning and Zoning at 887-3211.

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ZONING OFFICE

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the subject zoning items and we have no comments for the following properties: Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company 6400 York Road Huntington Development Corporation

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: May 7, 1992

Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting

Zoning Administration and Development Management

3216 Hunting Tweed Drive Waldon J. Stevanus & Margaret O. Stevanus

8524 Vollmert Avenue Rita L. Ruff

1307 Elma Road

FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

for May 11, 1992

Jeffrey W. Sheldon & Charles H. Sheldon 211 Nicodemus Road

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Wm R. Sturgeon & Carol L. Sturgeon 447 8715 Windsor Mill Road

ROBERT W. BOWLING, P.E., Chief Developers Engineering Division

Warren E. Downey & Linda M. Downey 1227 Weddel Avenue man an angle trick that the rid of the same and the BUREAU OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

DATE: May 7, 1992

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

Rahee J. Famili SUBJECT: Z.A.C. Comments

Z.A.C. MEETING DATE: May 4, 1992 LEGAL OWNER: W.R. Sturgeon 447

There are no comments for this site.

Traffic Engineer II

PETITIONER(S) SIGN-IN SHEET

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William R. STURGEON

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration and Development Management

Mr. J. Lawrence Pilson Development Coordinater, DEPRM

Zoning Item #447 (Sturgeon) 8715 Windsor Mill Road Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting May 4, 1992

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers the following comments on the above referenced zoning item: Development of the property must comply with the Regulations for the Protection of Water Quality, Streams, Wetlands and Floodplains.

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May 14, 1992

ZONING OFFICE

MCKEE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Engineering - Surveying - Real Estate Development

HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND 21030

SHAWAN PLACE, 5 SHAWAN ROAD Telephone: (410) 527-1555 Facsimile: (410) 527-1563 June 9, 1992

Re: Curriculum Vitae

To Whom It May Concern:

The following is a list of my education and experience setting forth my qualifications as a registered surveyor and real estate developer.

I have graduated from Bucknell University (1969) with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering. I am currently a registered surveyor in the states of Maryland and Pennsylvania and am the Vice President of the Maryland Society of Surveyors and a member of that Board of Directors. I am also a member of the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping. I am President of McKee & Associates, Inc. and have been practicing in my business in the areas of engineering, surveying, and real estate development since 1973.

In the 19 years I have been in business, we have assisted builders, developers, realtors, attorneys, and other individuals in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area providing a full range of development, subdivision, and surveying services.

I have also personally been involved in numerous real estate developments in which I have been a general partner. In these, I have been responsible for purchasing of the land, processing plans through the appropriate municipalities, arranging financing for acquisition and development, having the infra-structure of the development constructed, and then selling the lots. Through this experience, I have been qualified as an expert witness in surveying and real estate development before the Baltimore County Zoning Commissioner, Board of Appeals, district court, and circuit court.

I trust the above is sufficient for your needs. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact

> Very truly yours, MCKEE & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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James W. McKee, L. S., President

Slulgz **Baltimore County Government** Fire Department

700 East Joppa Road Suite 901 Towson, MD 21204-5500

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Arnold Jablon Director Zoning Administration and Development Management
Baltimore County Office Building Towson, MD 21204

RE: Property Owner: WILLIAM RANDOLPH STURGEON AND CAROL LORAINE STURGEON

#8715 WINDSOR MILL ROAD Location:

Item No.: 447 (JLL)

Zoning Agenda: MAY 4, 1992

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

7. The Fire Prevention Bureau has no comments at this time.

Fire Prevention Bureau Planning Group Special Inspection Division

JP/KEK

**HUNT VALLEY, MARYLAND 21030** 

Department of Recreation and Parks

Development Review Committee Response Form

Authorized signature Meeting Date File Number 1500 Glencoe Road - Oldfields School, Inc. 4-27-92 CR-92-399-XA STP DEPRM RP (To EIRD) COUNT George Raduano And Elizabeth Raduano 5-4-92 DED DEPRM RP STP TE #440 Scripps Howard Broadcasting Company DED DEPRM RP STP TE # 441 DED DEPRM RP STP TE # 441 No Community Huntington Development Corporation (Hunting Tweed Drive) DED DEPRM RP STP TE #442 Waldon J. And Margaret O. Stevanus DED DEPRM RP STP TE DED DEPRM RP STP TE #749 DED DEPRM RP STP TE DED DEPRM RP STP TE Jeffery W. And Charles H. Sheldon DED DEPRM RP STP TE #445 DED DEPRM RP STP TE #773 Eric and Patricia vanden Beemt DED DEPRM RP STP TE #449 William R. And Carol L. Sturgeon persone de la compete de la co Larry R. And Dianna L. Long ED DEPRM RP STP TE #74 Do Comments Warren E. And Linda M. Downey ED DEPRM RP STP TE #447

> Letter to Mr. David Thomas, P. E. Re: Sturgeon Property Windsor Mill Road March 19, 1992 Page Two

Thank you in advance for your review and consideration of this request. Should you have any question or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

> Very truly yours, McKEE &/ASSOCIATE, INC.

> > James W. McKee, L. S., President

JWM:ajw

cc: Randy Sturgeon

MCKEE & ASSOCIATES, INC. Engineering - Surveying - Real Estate Development

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Mr. David Thomas, P. E. Baltimore County Office Building 111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Re: Sturgeon Property Windsor Mill Road

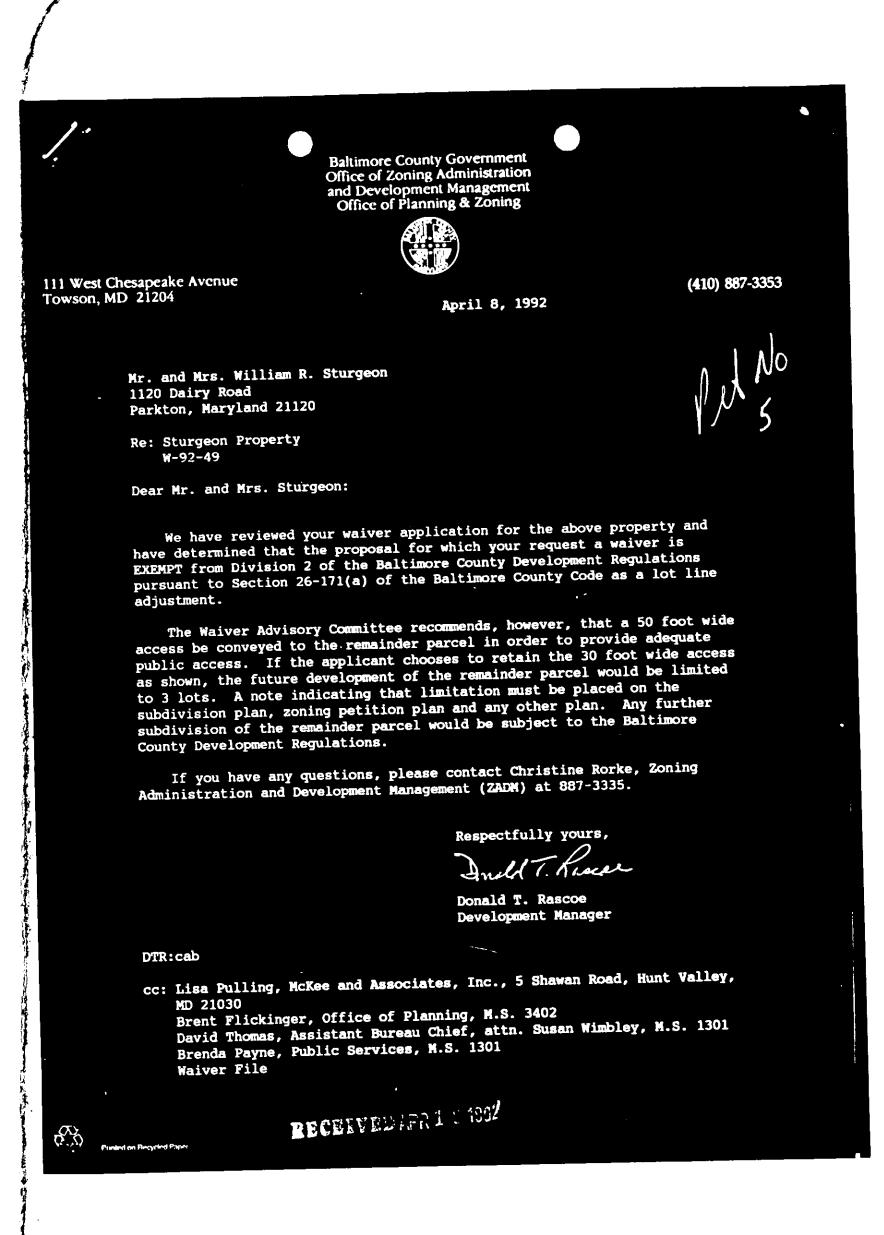
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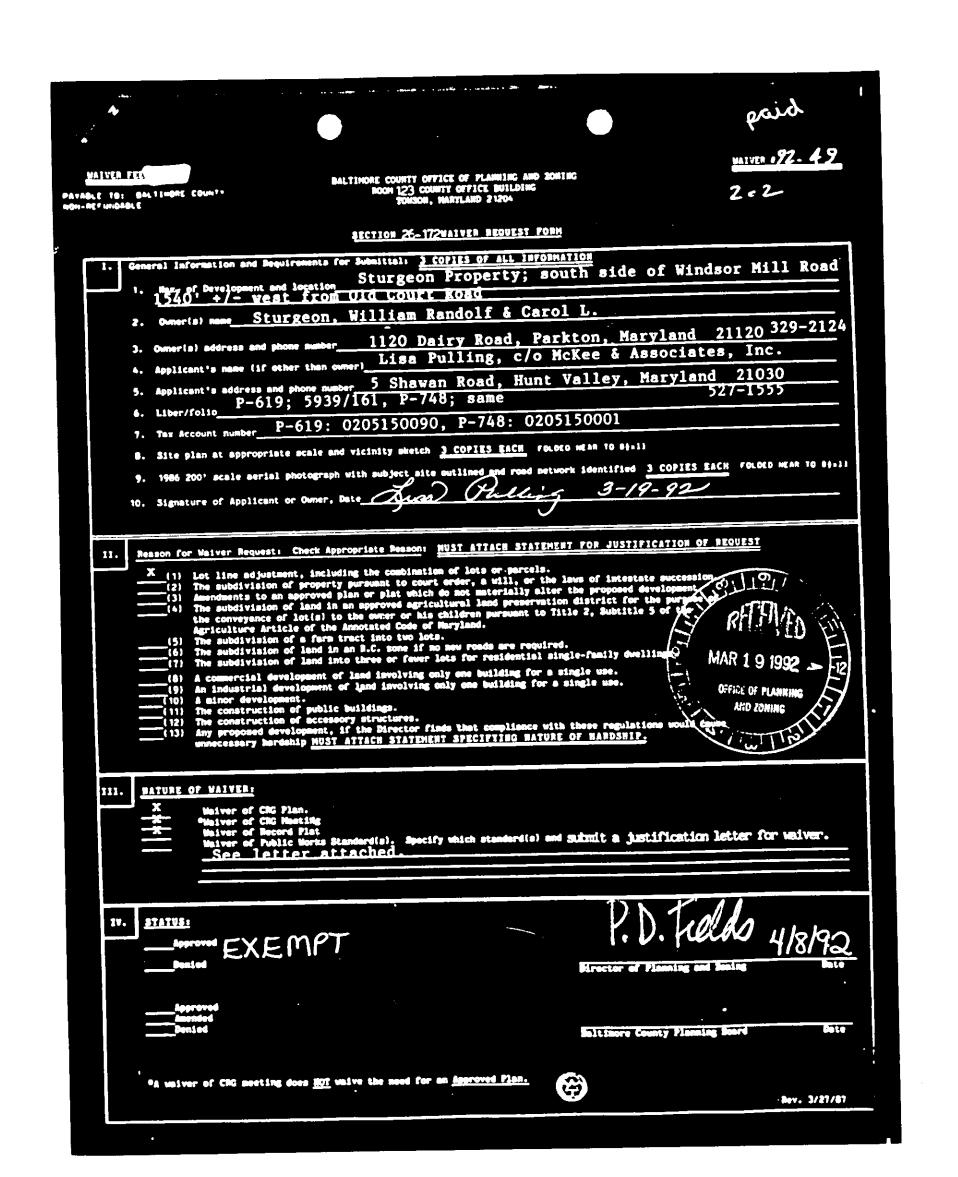
Please find enclosed, herewith, documents for a waiver request under Bill No. 1-92, Section 26-171.A.(9), lot line adjustment in (DR or RC) residential zones which are not part of an approved development plan or zoning plan.

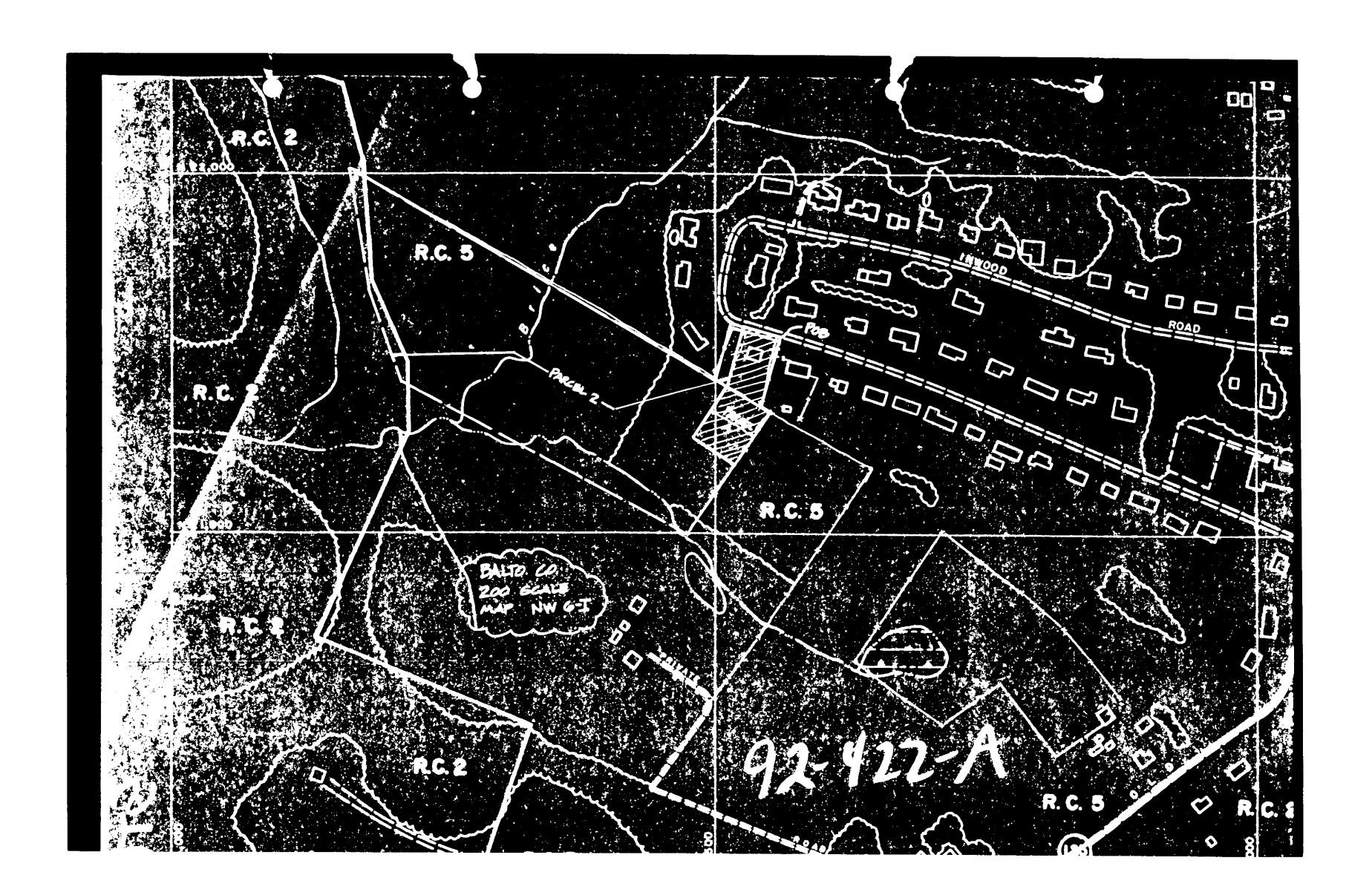
On the plat attached, the property exists in two parcels. Both parcels are moned RC-5. The parcel which fronts on Windsor Mill Road is improved by an existing house, well, and septic system. The parcel in the rear (approximately 11 acres) is unimproved. It is the owner's intent to sell the existing house and enough acreage out of the rear parcel to meet the minimum lot size requirement of the RC-5 zone (1 acre).

We feel that as per the above referenced section of Bill No. 1-92 that our client should be able to convey the property; as described, by metes and bounds, and not be subject to the subdivision process. There is also a hardship issue, wherein our client has entered into a contract with a buyer to sell and settle this piece of property on June 12, 1992. There is no doubt in my mind that if our client has to enter the subdivision process, he will not be able to meet the time constraints of his contract.

A soning variance will be required for the side setback to the house, since we propose to allow an approximate 30 foot access to the rear portion of this property. If we did not do this, the rear parcel would become landlocked. Because we are going through the soning variance process, we will be subject to Zoning Advisory Committee review and comment, which would insure County review agency input. I would hope that this would be sufficient and further support our waiver request from the subdivision regulations. Although, we have to file for a soning variance, we feel with an reasonable amount of certainty, that our soning case can be concluded by the June 12, 1992 settlement date.







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